



## Karen Marie Cotner

August 12, 1953 - October 27, 2019

Karen Marie Cotner, 66, of Cape Girardeau, passed away Sunday, Oct. 27, 2019 after a brave battle with ALS at her home surrounded by family.

She was born August 12, 1953 in Cape Girardeau to Walter and Mary "Betty" (Kain) Maevers.

Karen attended Trinity Lutheran and Nell Holcomb schools for her elementary education and graduated in 1971 from College High School. She was co-owner and office manager for Cotner Electric for 40 plus years.

She previously held the position of secretary for both the SEMO 4-wheel drive club and for the board of the East County Fire Protection District. She enjoyed horseback riding, Harley Davidson motorcycle riding and traveling with family and friends. During the most recent years she enjoyed spending time at their second home on Kentucky Lake with her husband, family and friends.

Activities she enjoyed while at the lake were swimming, boating, taking golf cart rides and sitting on the deck in her red chair watching the sun set. Karen particularly enjoyed spoiling her grandsons.

Loving survivors include her parents of Cape Girardeau; husband of 47 years, Ronald Cotner of Cape Girardeau; daughter, Danielle (Brandon) Wallingford; son, Matthew (Jessica) Cotner; two grandsons, Owen Cotner and Noah

Wallingford; brother, Curtis (Duana) Maevers.

She was preceded in death by a son, Justin Shane Cotner.

Visitation will be 4:00 PM to 8:00 PM on Wednesday, October 30, 2019 at Ford & Sons Mt. Auburn Chapel in Cape Girardeau.

Funeral service will be at 10:00 AM Thursday, October 31, 2019 at Trinity Lutheran Church of Egypt Mills with Rev. Barry Pfanstiel officiating.

Burial will be at the church cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be given to the ALS Association or Southeast Hospice.

# Cemetery Details

## Trinity Lutheran Church Cemetery

5665 County Road 635  
Egypt Mills, MO

# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT **30**. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Ford & Sons Mt. Auburn Chapel  
1001 N. Mt. Auburn Rd.  
Cape Girardeau, MO 63701

## Service

OCT **31**. 10:00 AM (CT)

Trinity Lutheran Church  
5665 County Road 635  
Egypt Mills, MO 63701

# Tribute Wall

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“ Ron,

*I am so sad to hear of Karen's passing. Please know that you and your family are in my thoughts and prayers!*



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**Susie O'Connell** - November 02, 2019 at 12:42 PM

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“ Danielle and Family,

*Sending our support and sympathy.*

*Love,  
Martha Ann and Emily Young*

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**Emily Young** - November 01, 2019 at 03:47 PM

NH

“ So sorry to read that Karen has passed away! Always so sweet and friendly to me. Years ago we were in a car club with her and Ron and she never forgot me . Our condolences! Ron & Nancy Hess

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**Nancy Hess** - October 31, 2019 at 01:58 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Karen Marie Cotner.



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October 30, 2019 at 09:02 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket* was purchased for the family of Karen Marie Cotner.



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October 30, 2019 at 02:50 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Karen Marie Cotner.



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October 29, 2019 at 09:20 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of Karen Marie Cotner.



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October 29, 2019 at 06:04 PM



“ *Small Garden Dish* was purchased for the family of Karen Marie Cotner.



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October 29, 2019 at 02:03 PM



“ Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Karen Marie Cotner.



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October 29, 2019 at 01:37 PM



“ Ronnie and Family,  
Mike and I are heartbroken over the passing of Karen. We have a lot of memories of fun and adventurous days in the 4- wheel drive club! So glad we had a mini reunion a couple of years ago. Karen was a sweet and gentle soul who will be greatly missed! Prayers for you and your family, Mike and Nancy Reiminger

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**Nancy Reiminger** - October 29, 2019 at 09:13 AM



“ So sorry for your loss, we will keep you in our prayers.  
Brad & Janet Verhines

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**Brad & Janet Verhines** - October 29, 2019 at 07:52 AM



“ Very nice sweet lady always so pleasant and polite. Prayers for her family Kim Hindman

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**Mr. Kim Hindman** - October 29, 2019 at 07:41 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Karen Marie Cotner.*



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October 28, 2019 at 10:53 PM



“ *Have never met a more kind, gentle and caring person. Such a loss for all her many friends and family. Truly a beautiful person. Helga and I will forever miss this lovely lady, with the kind soul and lovely blue eyes. Prayers and condolences to the family, Rest in peace Karen.*

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**Don & Helga Johnson** - October 28, 2019 at 10:41 PM



*She loved you guys. You and Helga are the most wonderful friends to our family.*

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**Danielle Cotner** - October 29, 2019 at 12:02 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Karen Marie Cotner.*



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October 28, 2019 at 09:24 PM

TA

“ I am still in shock and can't believe you are gone. I'm so grateful we got to spend some time together when I was in Cape visiting a few years ago. My parents and I lived next to the Cotners out in the country for 4 years but it might has well been 40. We loved them all and got together often. My fondest memories of Karen were when she and I would ride our horses together. She'd go anytime I wanted to. My other fondest memory is that for my birthday, she gave me my first ever rock album called Heartbreaker by Pat Benatar. I had never heard of her before but I never forgot that. You will be missed my dear friend. Rest in peace.

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**Tabitha** - October 28, 2019 at 08:40 PM

DC

You are so special to our family. You and your parents were the best neighbors ever.

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**Danielle Cotner** - October 28, 2019 at 09:41 PM

GC

“ So sorry for your loss.

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**Ginny Cook** - October 28, 2019 at 08:14 PM

GG

“ so sorry to hear ronnie, your family are in our prayers

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**gary garner** - October 28, 2019 at 07:41 PM

JS

“ So sorry for your loss. Prayers for the family. Darrel & Joy Schlegel

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**Joy Schlegel** - October 28, 2019 at 07:26 PM

RT

“ We are so sorry for your loss. Your family is in our thoughts and prayers.

*Dale and Faith True*

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**Robin Dale True** - October 28, 2019 at 04:15 PM

CM

“ We are very sorry for your loss.

*Sonny and Barb*

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**Charles Minor** - October 28, 2019 at 01:11 PM